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**Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.**

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

**Box 3-NOTE: Contd.**      **Proposed** additional claims 26-34 require further consideration particularly with regard to compliance with either of 35 U.S.C. § 101 and 35 U.S.C. § 112.

**Box 3-NOTE: Contd.**      It has been noted that the final Office action of April 24, 2008 had inadvertently left out claim 20 in the listing of claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Auciello '271. Claim 20 has been and remains rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by Auciello '271 as has been set forth in the initial Office action of October 15, 2007 with Auciello '271 clearly disclosing a tapered closed end portion, (col. 3, lines 50-54 of Auciello '271).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Safavi whose telephone number is (571) 272-7046. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri., 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lanna Mai can be reached on (571) 272-6867. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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